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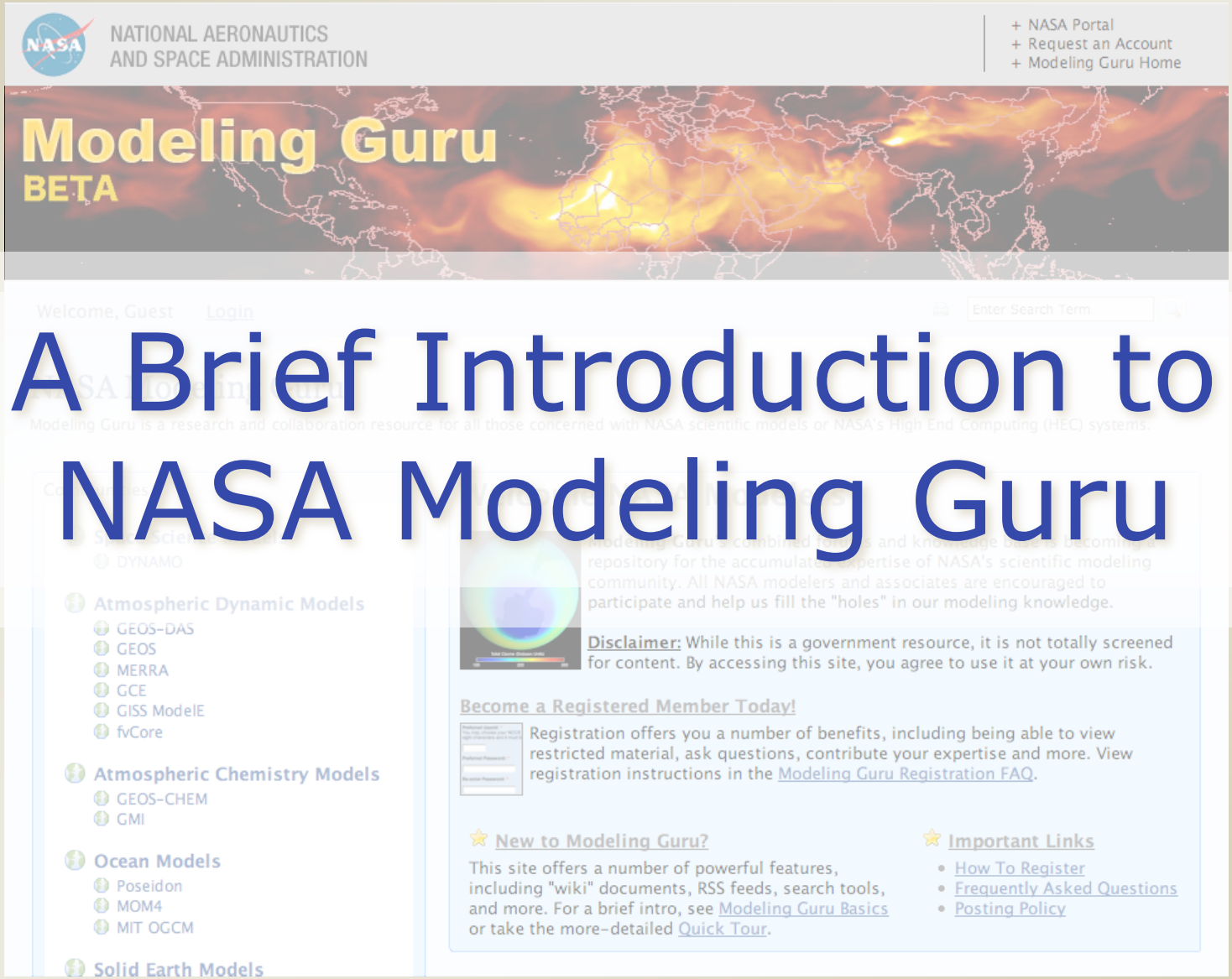

A Brief Introduction to NASA Modeling Guru

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- It is a collaborative, knowledge-sharing environment for NASA's scientific modeling community
  - –Forums for discussions, questions, & feedback
  - –Online "Wiki" documents for collaborative writing
  - –Excellent Search features
  - –Email/private messages
  - –Instant Messaging (coming soon)

- It is available at: https://modelingguru.nasa.gov

- It's running on *Clearspace* by *Jive Software*

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Register and Log In

- Anyone can view most of the content on Modeling Guru, but you must log in to post messages and view restricted communities.
- Everyone with an NCCS account should already be registered. Simply use your existing Username and LDAP Password to login.
- Click the Login link to enter your Username and Password
- If you need an account (valid for Modeling Guru only), click "Request an Account" at the top right, and follow the instructions to apply with the web-based registration form.

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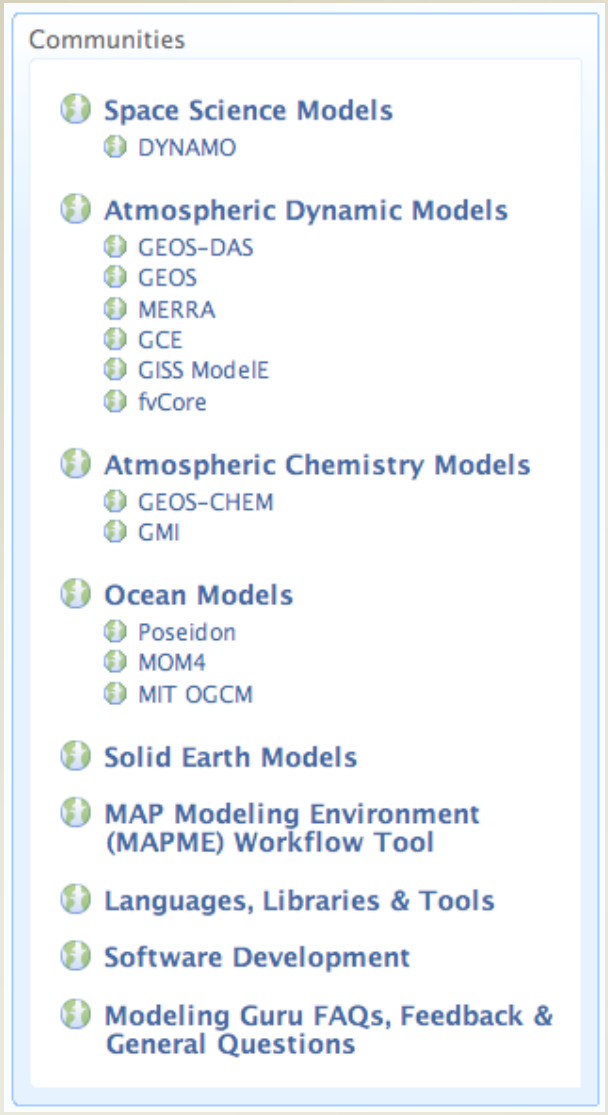

Communities

- Modeling Guru is divided into a hierarchy of communities
- Each community has its own discussions, documents, and possibly blogs (to start a blog, see SIVO Curators shown in footer)
- Each community has its own privacy settings and can restrict access to a select group of users.
  - -- See SIVO Curators to request adding a new sub-community for a select group

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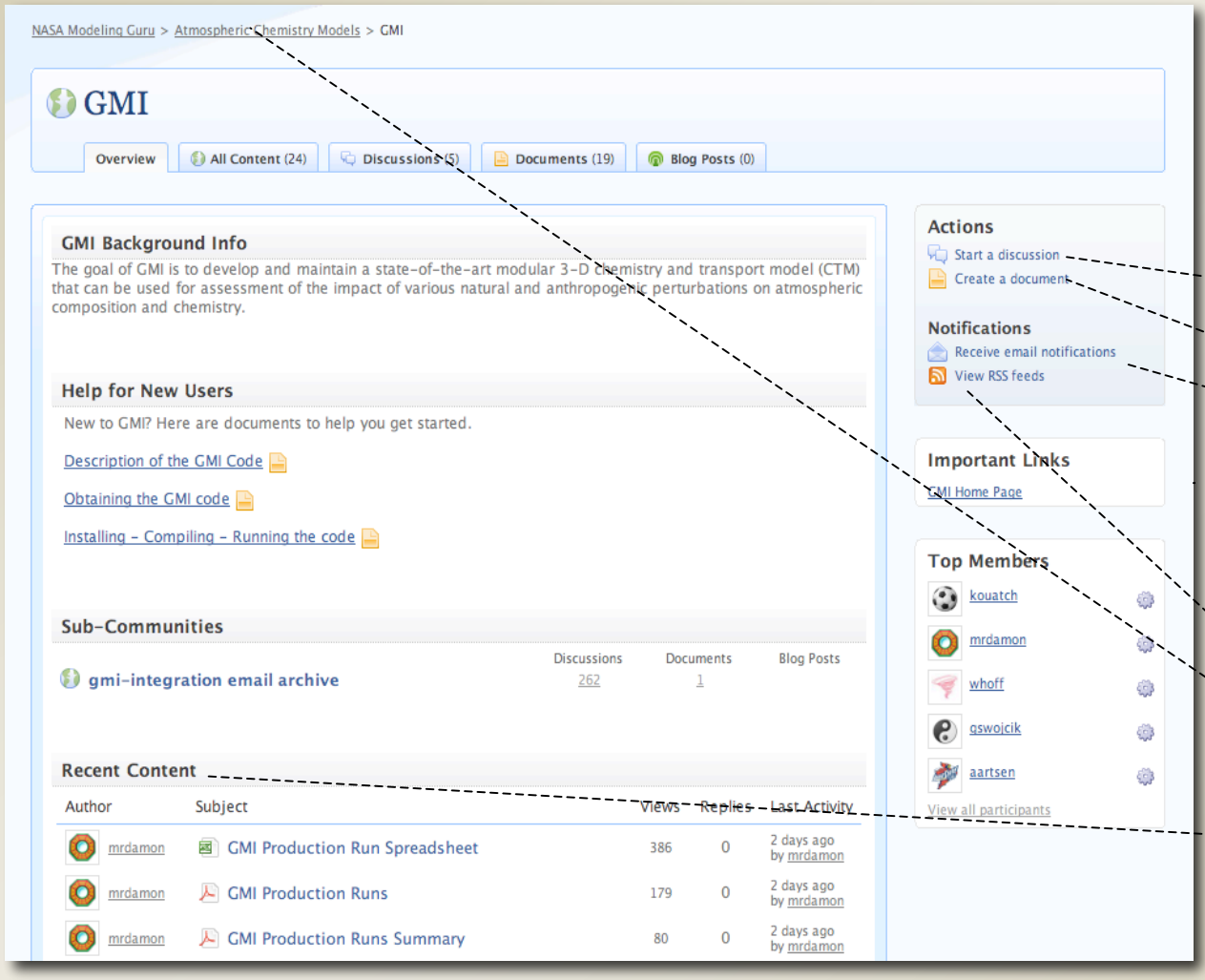
Actions



Clicking on the GMI sub-community will bring you to this GMI Overview. From this page you can:

- Start a new discussion
- Create a document
- Receive email notifications
  - -Click to subscribe to all new posts in this community
- View RSS feeds
- Use "breadcrumb" links to go back to a parent community
- Browse recently posted content. Use above tabs to view only discussions or documents

*The **Actions** choices will be discussed on the next 4 pages*

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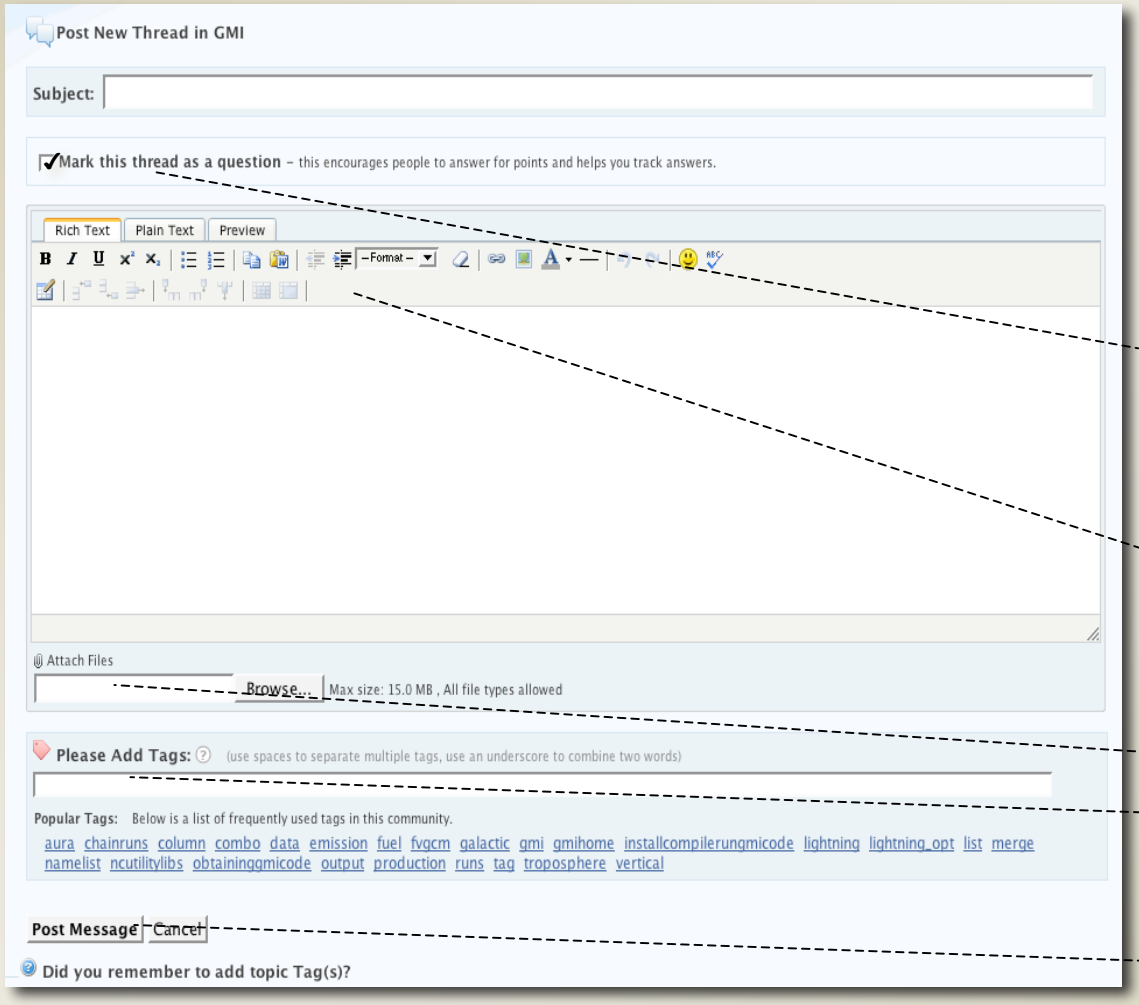
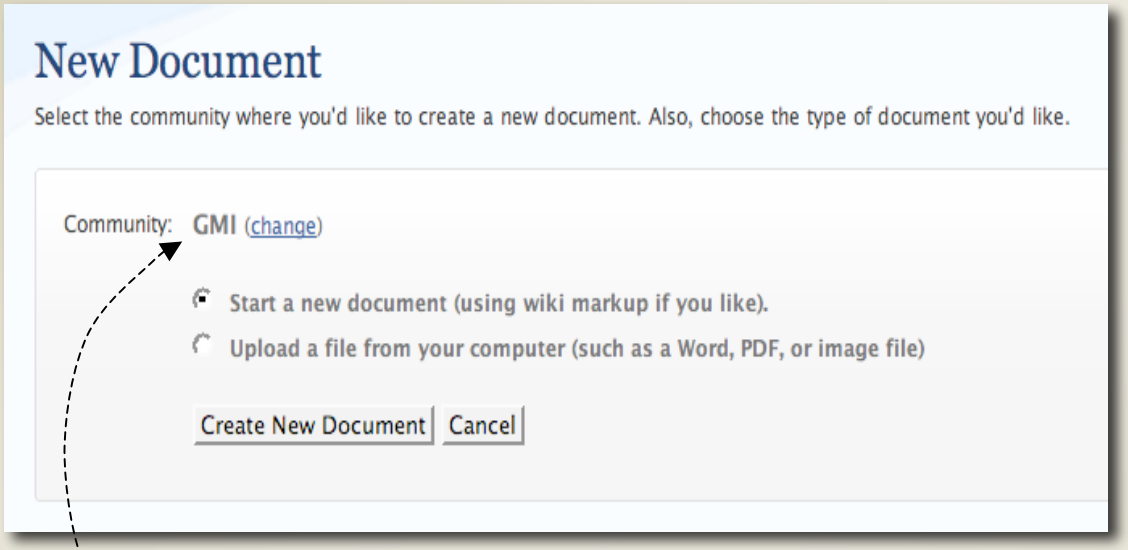
Start a Discussion



- A discussion (a.k.a. forum thread) is used to post comments, solicit feedback, or ask questions.
- If you "Mark this thread as a question", SIVO will monitor the thread, and normally respond within a day.
- Use the Rich Text Toolbar (not available on Safari) to add formatting, tables, and embed images.
- Attach files, if you wish.
- Remember to add topic Tags to make your thread easy to search for later.
- Click to post your message

Create a Document



-A document is for capturing and sharing knowledge with others. The default "wiki" format lets you edit right in the browser, and allows others to easily collaborate on the same document.

-Select the lower option to upload an existing document in any standard document format

-This document will be stored within the GMI community, unless you click "change" and select another community

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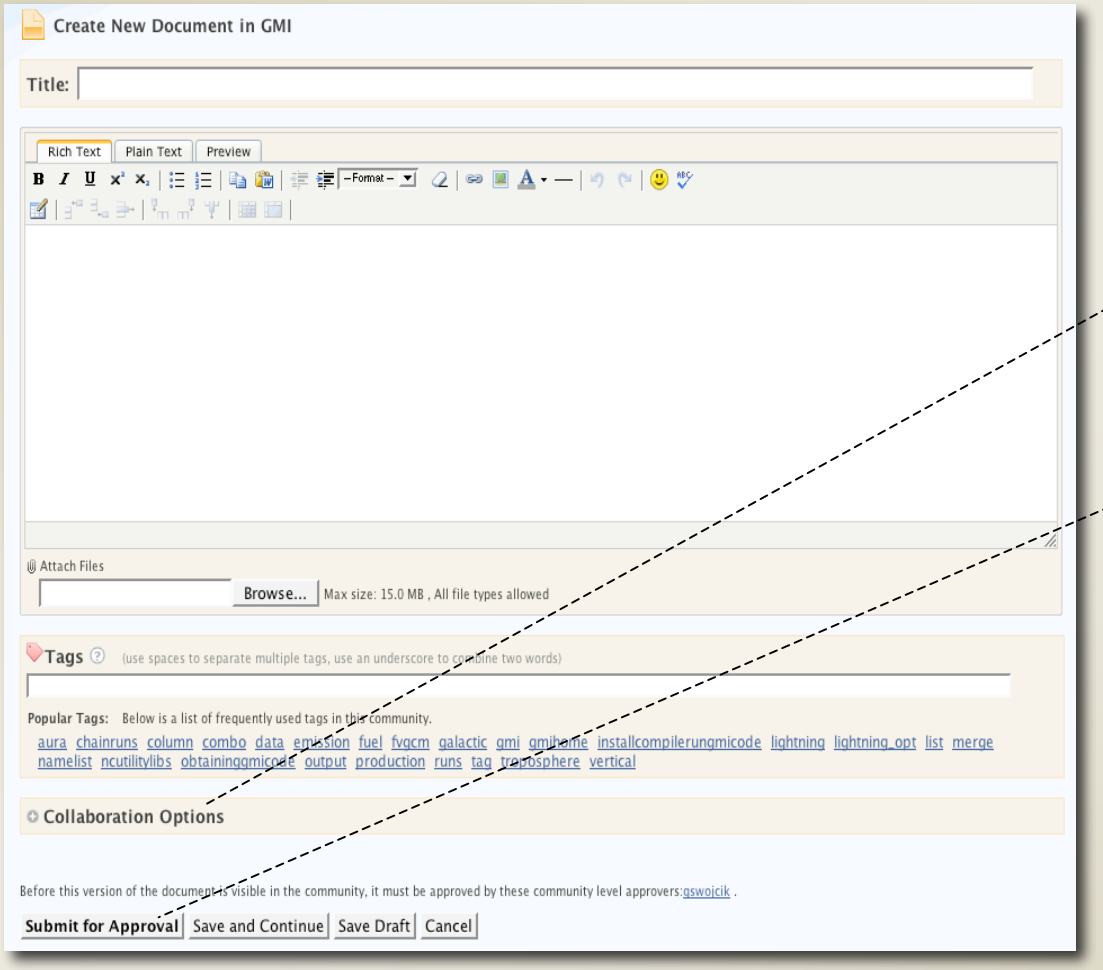

The Document editor is similar to the Discussion editor, but has a couple notable differences:

-Clicking on "Collaboration Options" allows the author to set who may edit, who may comment, and designate users who must approve the document

-All documents require approval by the community moderator before they are visible to the public

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View RSS Feeds

NASA Modeling Guru > Atmospheric Chemistry Models > GMI

GMI RSS Feeds

Use the links below to subscribe to RSS feeds for this community. For private communities, you'll need to append your username and password to the feed URL or use a desktop feed reader that supports private feeds.

All Content RSS Feed:	https://modelingguru.nasa.gov/clearspace/community/feeds/allcontent?communityID=2001
Tag RSS Feed:	https://modelingguru.nasa.gov/clearspace/community/feeds/tags/ ?communityID=2001
Announcements:	https://modelingguru.nasa.gov/clearspace/community/feeds/announcements?communityID=2001
Polls:	https://modelingguru.nasa.gov/clearspace/community/feeds/polls?communityID=2001
Discussion Messages:	https://modelingguru.nasa.gov/clearspace/community/feeds/messages?communityID=2001
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Statistics:	https://modelingguru.nasa.gov/clearspace/community/feeds/stats?communityID=2001

NOTE: To view feeds for a different community, choose the community from the drop down list below:

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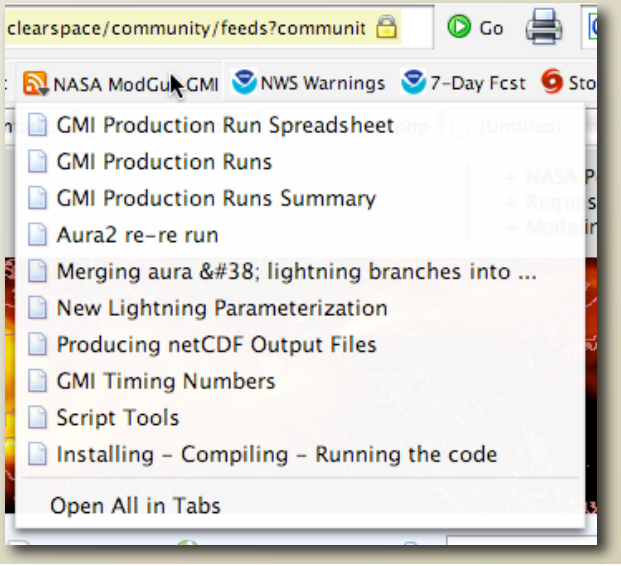
To avoid "email overload" you may prefer to use RSS Feeds to check on recent posts to the community.

In Firefox, clicking on one of the RSS links (shown left) will let you set up a drop-down menu of recent posts:



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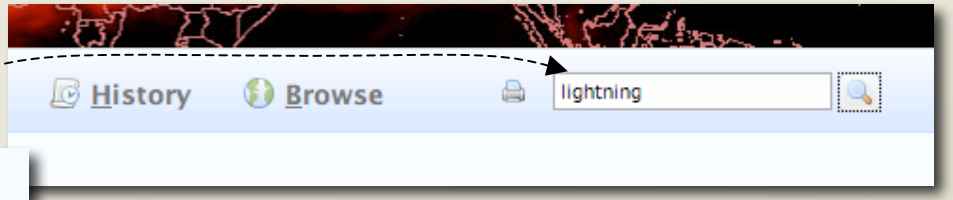
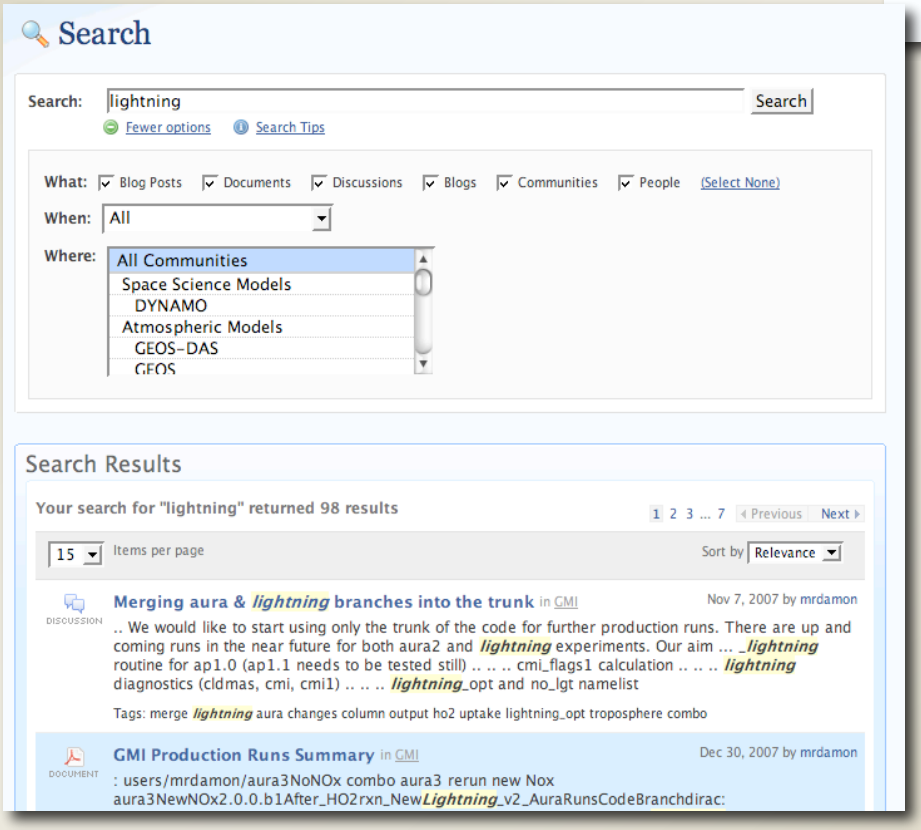
Searching for Content

Use the Search box at the top of each page to find specific topics:





The resulting Search page will list all matching results in the Modeling Guru database.

- Click on "More options" to see the filter options shown here.
- You can filter by message type, posting date, and Community
- Use typical search syntax, such as quotes around phrases, and Boolean operators (AND, OR, NOT, +, -)
- Click on "Search Tips" for help with other features like wildcards, term-weighting, proximity search, etc.

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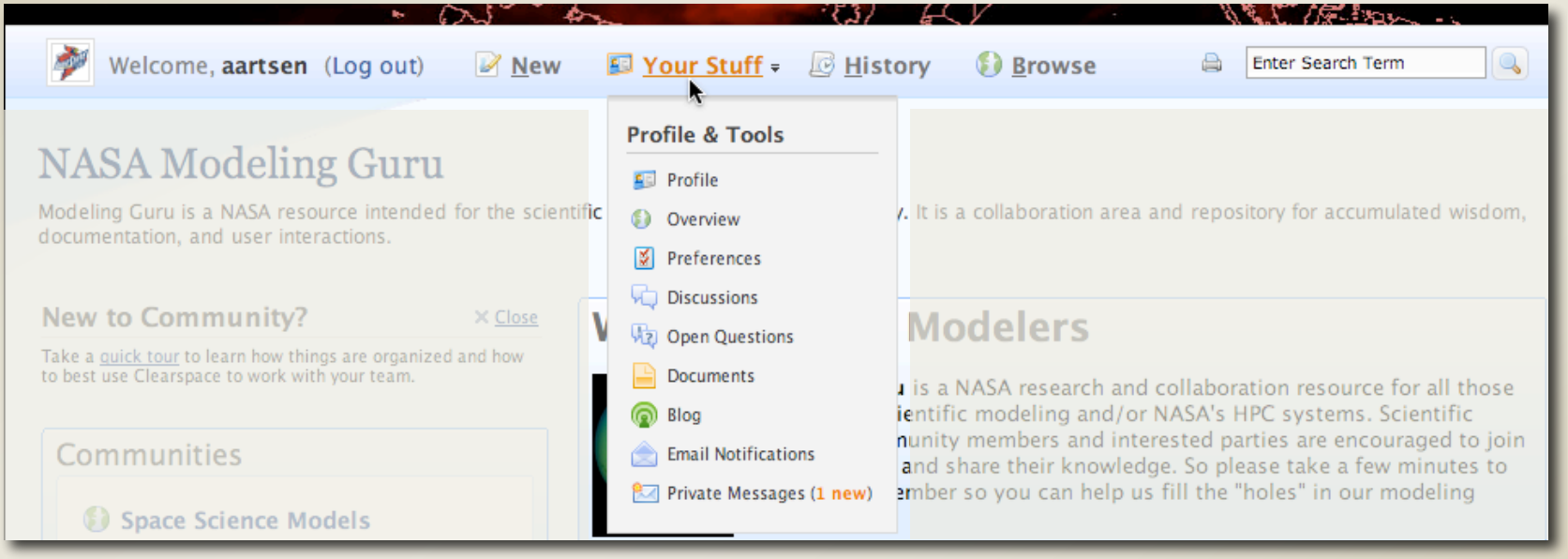
Navigation Bar



The Navigation Bar provides an easy way to access all of "Your Stuff":

- Set your profile information and avatar (personal icon)
- Set email notification preferences
- Find your previous posts

The menu title will turn orange when there are new items that need your attention, such as new private messages or documents requiring your approval.

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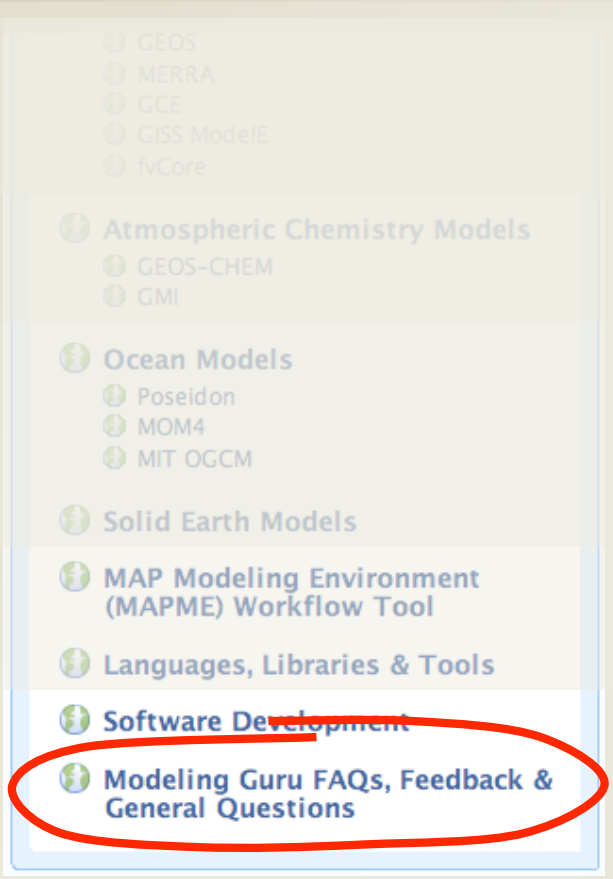
Still have Questions?



- See the FAQ documents inside the "Modeling Guru FAQs, Feedback & General Questions" community
- Post any new questions or feedback concerning the use of Modeling Guru by starting a discussion thread in the same "Feedback & General Questions" area
- Additional details are shown in Jive Software's "Clearspace Quick Tour" at http://www.jivesoftware.com/builds/docs/clearspace/latest/ClearspaceQuickTour.html (see Quick Tour link on the Modeling Guru home page)
- Or contact SIVO's Curators listed at the bottom of each Modeling Guru page